

I. Listing of Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A side air-bag for a motor vehicle comprising a three-dimensional air-bag formed from two superimposed layers of fabric which, when laid flat, have a substantial common area of superimposition, the air-bag having a first inflatable region towards an upper part of the air-bag and a second inflatable region towards a lower part of the air-bag, the first and second inflatable regions being separated by a separating part of the air-bag which is constrained when the air-bag is inflated to have a thickness less than a thickness of either of the first and second inflatable regions, the air-bag having a gas generator mounting portion for receiving a gas generator and at least one gusset arranged between the two layers of fabric to create a three-dimensional shape, the gusset extending around a periphery of at least one of the first and second inflatable regions from an end of the separating part to the gas generator mounting portion so that the at least one of the first and second inflatable regions is enclosed by the separating part, the gusset and the gas generating mounting portion, wherein the air-bag is formed from two layers of fabric of substantially identical configuration interconnected by means of a peripheral seam that includes stitching, and at least one insert attached to each of the two layers by the peripheral seam and positioned between the two layers of fabric to form the gusset that has two pointed ends that are disposed opposite of each other.

2. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein the air-bag includes an upper chamber forming the first inflatable region and a lower chamber

forming the second inflatable region, the upper chamber and the lower chamber being separated by a transversely extending seam forming the separating part.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 1 wherein there are two inserts, one insert forming a gusset associated with the first inflatable region and the other insert forming a gusset associated with the second inflatable chamber.

5. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to Claim [[3]] 1 wherein the insert is provided with at least one vent aperture.

6. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 5 wherein the at least one vent aperture is initially sealed by means of a tear-seam.

7. (Currently Amended) A side air-bag for a motor vehicle comprising a three-dimensional air-bag formed from two superimposed layers of fabric which, when laid flat, have a substantial common area of superimposition, and each of the two layers of fabric has one or more extra portions thereof which project beyond the area of superimposition, and the peripheries of the extra portions being interconnected together by means of a peripheral seam, which includes stitching, to form a gusset arranged between the two layers of fabric to create a three-dimensional shape, the air-bag having a first inflatable region towards an upper part of the air-bag and a second inflatable region towards a lower part of the air-bag, the first and second inflatable regions being

separated by a separating part of the air-bag which is constrained when the air-bag is inflated to have a thickness less than a thickness of either of the first and second inflatable regions, the air-bag having a gas generator mounting portion for receiving a gas generator, the gusset extending at a periphery of at least one of the first and second inflatable regions between an end of the separating part and the gas generator mounting portion, wherein the one or more extra portions of both of the two layers of fabric are associated with the same inflatable region and the two layers of fabric are interconnected by the peripheral seam.

8. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 2 wherein the gas generator is disposed within the air-bag, the combination of the transversely extending seam and the gas generator substantially sealing the upper and lower chambers from each other, the gas generator being configured to inflate the upper and lower chambers to different pressures.

9. (Previously Presented) An air-bag according to Claim 7 wherein the extra portions which project beyond the area of superimposition, and the resultant air-bag have, when inflated, an upper chamber which forms the first inflatable region and a lower chamber which forms the second inflatable region, there being a narrow inflated neck between the upper chamber and the lower chamber.

10. (Currently Amended) An air-bag according to ~~Claims~~ Claim 1 wherein the two layers of fabric form part of a single fabric element.

11. (Cancelled)